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Dear Counsellor:

I was most pleased to receive your letter. I really had wondered what had happened that you did not write. It is easy to understand how busy you must be. I do hope your affairs are in order by this time.

Now about the baseball; too many things have happened to write about since I last talked to you, but I am just as anxious as ever to have you accept the position of Commissioner if the members will vote that way. Things have developed to the state now where the Commissioner would not have as many things to do as we discussed the last time we talked. We are hoping to get the league reorganized with a non member for Chairman who will also be a business man. If this is accomplished the Commissioner will only be called on to settle disputes between players and owners, owners and owners, and things of this kind. That is for the present anyway.

We are having a joint meeting of the two leagues in Chicago February 24th and 25th. I am sure this matter will come up at that time. Believe me we need a Commissioner badly. There are several teams claiming one player now.

You said you expected to be in New York some time this month. We will not leave here before the 20th. If you come this way before then, please let me know, I will arrange to meet you at any time or place you say, so we can discuss this very important question further.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Very Truly Yours